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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company and Wisconsin
Gas Company as Gas Public Utilities for Authority to Construct a
New Jointly-Owned Gate Station in the Town of LaGrange,
Walworth County, Wisconsin

05-CG-101

**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING, INVESTIGATION,
AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS**

THIS IS A PROCEEDING to consider the May 16, 2002, application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company (WEPCO) and Wisconsin Gas Company (WGC) for authority under Wis. Stat. § 196.49 and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 133.03 to construct a new jointly-owned gate station in the town of La Grange, Walworth County, Wisconsin.

WEPCO and WGC are public utilities, as defined in Wis. Stat. § 196.01(5)(a), engaged in the business of distributing and selling natural gas in areas throughout Wisconsin.

WEPCO and WGC propose the following: construct a new gate station including pressure regulation, tie-in valving, telemetry and gas pre-heating and odorization facilities at a custody transfer point with the Guardian Pipeline, LLC (Guardian) metering facilities; construct a new gate station including pressure regulation, tie-in valving, telemetry and gas pre-heating and odorization facilities at a custody transfer point with the Northern Natural Gas Company metering facilities; construct new buildings to house the gate station equipment noted above; and remove the existing Eagle Gate station in the town of Eagle, Waukesha County and connect the newly purchased pipeline previously owned by Northern Natural Gas Company to the 24-inch pipeline currently owned by WEPCO and WGC. The estimated cost of the proposed project is \$1,399,000. The new gate station will allow WEPCO and WGC to provide additional natural gas transportation and supply options to their customers throughout southeastern Wisconsin.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

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This is a Type III action under Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 4.10(3). Since no unusual circumstances have come to the attention of the Commission which indicate that significant environmental consequences are likely, neither an environmental impact statement under Wis. Stat. § 1.11 nor an environmental assessment is required.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Jeff Murley at (608) 267-1207.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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